

ORGANIZATIONS WITH INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE RESOURCES

Better Baby Care Campaign

<http://www.betterbabycare.org>

The Better Baby Care Campaign, a nationwide effort to improve the quality of infant and toddler child care, provides up-to-date information on research and resources around infant and toddler care. The website also provides information on federal, state, and local policy initiatives.

Brazelton Touchpoints Center

<http://www.touchpoints.org>

The Touchpoints Model is a training program for multi-disciplinary professionals. Its goal is to provide them with skills and strategies with which they can build alliances with parents of children aged zero to three. The Touchpoints framework focuses on key points in the development of infants, toddlers and their families.

Child Care Aware

<http://childcareaware.org/>

Child Care Aware, a program of NACCCRRA, is funded through a cooperative agreement with the Child Care Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Child Care Aware is committed to helping parents find the best information on locating quality child care and child care resources in their community.

Child Care Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/>

The Child Care Bureau is dedicated to enhancing the quality, affordability, and availability of child care for all families. The Child Care Bureau administers federal funds to states, territories, and tribes to assist low-income families in accessing quality child care for children when the parents work or participate in education or training.

Early Head Start National Resource Center at ZERO TO THREE (EHSNRC)

<http://www.ehsnrc.org>

The Early Head Start National Resource Center @ ZERO TO THREE was created by the Head Start Bureau and is operated by ZERO TO THREE. The EHSNRC works at the national level to provide training and technical assistance to Early Head Start and Migrant and Seasonal Head Start programs.

Educational Resources Information Center-Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education (ERIC/EECE)

<http://ericeece.org/>

The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) is a national information system designed to provide users with resources and information on education. The ERIC Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education (ERIC/EECE) is one of 16 clearinghouses in the ERIC system, which is part of the National Library of Education, funded by the Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education. ERIC/EECE provides information for educators, parents and families, and individuals interested in the development, education, and care of children from birth through early adolescence.

Healthy Child Care America (HCCA)

<http://www.healthychildcare.org/>

The Healthy Child Care America (HCCA) program is a collaborative effort of health professionals, child care providers, and families working to improve the health and safety of children in child care. Launched in 1995, HCCA seeks to maximize the health, safety, well-being, and developmental potential of all children so that each child experiences quality child care within a nurturing environment and has a medical home.

I Am Your Child

<http://www.iamyourchild.org>

The I Am Your Child Foundation (IAYC) is a national, non-profit, non-partisan organization that was founded in 1997 to raise awareness about the importance of early childhood development and school readiness. IAYC develops a wide variety of resources for parents, early childhood professionals, child advocates, health care providers, policymakers and the media. IAYC also promotes public policies that help ensure that children have the physical well-being and the social, emotional and cognitive abilities they need to enter school ready to succeed.

Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Department of U.S. Health and Human Services

<http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov>

The Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) provides links to resources, publications, websites, and federal and state programs relating to the health and well-being of infants, children, adolescents, pregnant women, and their families. MCHB provides a list of child health links, including children with special needs.

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

<http://www.naeyc.org>

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is a nationwide membership organization of early childhood educators and others dedicated to improving the quality of programs for children from birth through third grade. The website provides information on accreditation, early learning, resources for both parents and child care providers, and early childhood education policy.

National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI)

<http://www.nbcdi.org>

The National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) is a nonprofit organization that provides support through programs, workshops, and resources for African American children, their parents and communities in the areas of early health and education, health, elementary and secondary education, child welfare, and parenting. The website provides links to information about their local affiliates, conferences, and programs.

National Center for Children in Poverty (NCCP)

<http://www.nccp.org/it/>

The National Center for Children in Poverty's Infant and Toddler Project focuses on the experiences of 25 selected initiatives across the country to provide a menu of concrete, innovative strategies other states and communities can use to promote more targeted and effective policy and practice attention to infants and toddlers. The website highlights the 25 initiatives, shares their creative solutions and five overarching strategies, and identifies resources for policy makers.

National Child Care Information Center (NCCIC)

<http://www.nccic.org/cctopics/infants.html>

The National Child Care Information Center (NCCIC), a project of the Child Care Bureau, is a national resource that links information and people to complement, enhance, and promote the child care delivery system, working to ensure that all children and families have access to high-quality comprehensive services. This link is for publications and organizational resources that pertain to infants and toddlers.

National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (NECTAC)

<http://nectac.org>

The National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center supports the implementation of the early childhood provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Their mission is to strengthen service systems to ensure that children with disabilities (birth through five) and their families receive and benefit from high quality, culturally appropriate, and family-centered supports and services.

National Infant & Toddler Child Care Initiative

<http://nccic.org/itcc>

The National Infant & Toddler Child Care Initiative is designed to support Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) State and Territory Administrators in their efforts to effect system-wide improvements in infant and toddler child care. The Initiative is funded by the Child Care Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services and is located at ZERO TO THREE.

The Program for Infant Toddler Caregivers (PITC)

<http://www.pitc.org/>

The goal of PITC is to help caregivers recognize the crucial importance of giving tender, loving care and assisting in the infants' intellectual development through an attentive reading of each child's cues. The PITC's videos, guides, and manuals are designed to help child care managers and caregivers become sensitive to infants' cues, connect with their family and culture, and develop responsive, relationship-based care.

ZERO TO THREE

<http://www.zerotothree.org>

The ZERO TO THREE Web site offers information for those interested in the healthy development of young children, birth to three. The site includes information on brain development, learning during everyday routines, the developmental assessment process, parenting tips, professional journal articles, policy briefs, as well as easy-to-use A-Z topic listings, a search engine, and a growing list of Spanish materials.